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igation Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 495 steerage passengers and 120 pieces of large and 709 pieces of small baggage. Two hundred and seven pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

On January 27, the steamship *First Bismarck*, of the Hamburg American Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 876 steerage passengers and 157 pieces of large and 1,253 pieces of small baggage. Two hundred and sixty-five pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

*Smallpox.*

Smallpox in and about Naples continues to increase. During the past ten days there were 26 cases and 2 deaths, officially reported. This is no true index of the number of cases, because many are never reported.

It is not the custom to isolate cases here, therefore it is not to be hoped that the disease will soon disappear.

There is much vaccination done in the affected districts, but there are always many people who escape vaccination.

Respectfully,

VICTOR G. HEISER,  
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

JAPAN.

*Report from Yokohama—Plague in Formosa.*

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, January 22, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that, since my last report of 15th instant, no case of plague has been returned from either Osaka or Wakayama. From Formosa farther cases of plague are reported as occurring at Tainan on the 14th. From January 1 to 16 the cases of plague at Tainan numbered 28, the deaths 22. The following is a brief preliminary résumé of epidemic disease in this, Kanagawa Ken, during 1900. The genuineness of the cases reported as cholera is, in my mind, more than doubtful: Cases of cholera, 8; diphtheria, 444; dysentery, 3,003; scarlet fever, 6; smallpox, 3; typhoid fever, 553. Total, 4,017.

Respectfully,

STUART ELDREDGE,  
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

*Maritime quarantine transactions at Manila, Iloilo, and Cebu, during December, 1900.*

MANILA, P. I., January 10, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit report of quarantine transactions for the month of December 1900, as follows:

PORT OF MANILA.

Bills of health issued.....	243
To foreign ports.....	55
To domestic ports.....	188

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## PORT OF MANILA—continued.

Number of vessels inspected.....	249
From foreign ports.....	56
From domestic ports.....	193
Number of passengers inspected.....	10,391
Cabin .....	1,123
Steerage .....	9,268
Total number of crew inspected .....	7,285
Vessels disinfected, partial (Buena Viaje, Singapore) .....	1
Vessels held for disinfection of steerage baggage .....	3
Total number of persons held for observation.....	27
Merchandise prohibited admittance to this port:	
Old gunnies, steamship Lindula, gathered at Singapore, kilos .....	21,971
Old gunnies, steamship Palam Cotta, from Singapore, bales... .....	647
Number of pieces of baggage disinfected and so labeled.....	1,039
Number of pieces of baggage inspected and passed and so labeled.....	1,127

## PORT OF ILOILO.

Bills of health issued.....	43
To foreign ports.....	1
To domestic ports.....	42
Number of vessels inspected .....	46
From foreign ports.....	1
From domestic ports.....	45
Number of passengers inspected.....	1,165
Cabin.....	107
Steerage.....	1,058
Number of crew inspected.....	1,595

## PORT OF CEBU.

Bills of health issued.....	112
To foreign ports.....	2
To domestic ports.....	110
Number of vessels inspected .....	150
From foreign ports.....	3
From domestic ports.....	147
Number of passengers inspected.....	1,071
Cabin.....	110
Steerage .....	961
Total number of crew inspected.....	3,021

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,  
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,  
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

## PORTO RICO.

*Report of transactions at San Juan and subports during January, 1901.*

SAN JUAN, P. R., February 5, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of transactions of the Service at this port and the six subports of Porto Rico for the month of January, 1901.

*San Juan.*—Number of vessels inspected, 20. The French steamship *Olinde Roderiguez*, from Hayti, San Domingo, arrived on the 17th instant. The baggage of 21 steerage passengers, consisting of 14 pieces, was disinfected. One bag of mail also disinfected, and 7 of the passengers vaccinated. The vessel was admitted to free pratique.

The Spanish steamship *Cataluna*, from Havana, Colon, and Venezuelan ports, arrived on the 18th instant, and was held in quarantine as usual.